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London ladies shattering 'glass ceiling'

'Pro-woman city.' From politics to medicine, women are at the helm

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Premier Kathleen Wynne said Monday that it's time to "blow up the myths" that hinder women in politics.

In a speech at a Canadian Club luncheon in Toronto, Wynne said she's never listened to those who told her a female can't make it.

That's just the type of message Power of the Purse founder Cynthia O'Neill wants women to hear at her Wednesday event at London's Hilton Hotel.

"I think London is a very pro-woman city," she said. "I've been in business here for 35 years and I've always found it pro-woman."

O'Neill said Power of the Purse is "about celebrating the empowerment of women and recognizing the influence we wield through the economic power of our purse strings."

And what better place for it than in her own backyard?

As it turns out, London is somewhat of a showcase city for influential women.

Three of four local MPPs — and two of four MPs — are women. So are five city councillors.

That dominance transfers into London's medical community, as well. Bonnie Adamson heads up the London Health Sciences Centre, and Dr. Gillian Kernaghan is CEO and president of St. Joe's.

Anne-Marie DeCicco-Best is London's longest-serving mayor, and a healthy 122 of 604 sworn members of the London Police Service are women.

The head of one of the city's largest charitable organizations agrees London has its share of accomplished and well-placed women.

"I like to think London is ahead of the curve," Goodwill Industries CEO Michelle Quintyn said. "I also like to think that, in general, society is normalizing on this issue, and it's not so much being ahead of the curve here, but just being progressive."

Quintyn said women have to think big, bold and envision a path to reach their dreams.

"You have to be a big believer in what you're doing so that you can rally others around you," she said.

London North Centre MP Susan Truppe, who's the parliamentary secretary for status of women, said a report to be unveiled this fall shows that businesses with women on their boards boast greater profits overall than those with none. "So companies that don't have women on their board really miss the boat," she said.

Some of London's leading ladies, from left, MPP Peggy Sattler, Coun. Joni Baechler, MPP Deb Matthews and Coun. Denise Brown. PHOTOS BY ANGELA MULLINS/METRO; ILLUSTRATION BY DAVID VAN DYKE/METRO

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Sex-assault investigation

Police issue appeal for victims to come forward

London police are appealing for the public's help in a sexual-assault investigation.

For several weeks, a man has been touching women inappropriately as he rides by them on a bicycle, police say.

So far, six victims have come forward to report incidents dating back to Aug. 26. Now, police are calling on victims who might not have filed reports to come forward.

The latest incidents were reported Sunday — 5:50 a.m. at Dundas and Talbot streets and 12:19 p.m. at Highbury Avenue North at the Thames River. The other incidents were reported at Adelaide Street near Queens Avenue, at Fairview Avenue and Alexandra Street, Frontenac Road near Deveron Crescent and Southeast Optimist Park on Deveron Crescent.

The victims range in age from 13- to 28-years-old. The severity of the incidents is escalating, police said, but no injuries have been reported.

The suspect, described as black, between five-foot-six and five-foot-10 with a medium build and in his late teens or early 20s, is targeting women who are walking or jogging, police said.

Anyone with information is asked to contact police at 519-660-5842 or call Crime Stoppers at 800-222-8477.

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All dressed up for a great cause

Clothing Works held its biggest annual fundraiser Tuesday night at the Hellenic Centre in south London. The fashion show, dinner and silent auction added to its resources to help unemployed people be well-dressed for job interviews. Supporter Penny Rumming, left, and project manager Gwenne Hudson are pictured taking a break from the busy evening.

MIKE DONACHIE/METRO

Meeting ignores drug problems: Resident

Finding a solution. Town hall billed as a chance to 'work together' misses the point, participant says

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"For people who buy and sell illegal drugs," said the poster.

Come on in, a London centre told drug dealers, leaving local residents outraged.

The London InterCommunity Health Centre in Old East Village had a town hall meeting on Monday, and the poster advertising the gathering had a tagline that read: "100% respect, zero % judgment."

It added: "Life is tough for people who use drugs on this street. Let's work together to make things better!"

Old East residents, led by Fiona Graham, made sure they were in the room, too. Graham said they were horrified by what they heard.

She claimed the main aim of the meeting seemed to be asking users to move their drug activity down the street from the Dundas Street centre in an effort to stop attracting controversy.

That doesn't help the community's wider problems, Graham said.

Repeated calls to the centre were not returned Tuesday. When Metro visited the centre, no one was available for comment.

About 40 to 50 people were at Monday's meeting, Graham said, but about half were street people there for the food. Most of the rest were drug users or dealers, she said.

Graham claimed there was no mention of the problems caused to the community and, when she raised them, the drug users were more sympathetic than the centre's staff.

"We have a really big problem here due to the littering of needles because of their clients," Graham said. "People have found needles in their gardens. There were needles in the schoolyard.

"People are trying to raise their families here. There are senior citizens down here in the new buildings, and they're afraid to leave their apartments.

"It's a ghetto."

At a glance

- The London InterCommunity Health Centre receives most of its funding from the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long Term Care, its website says.
- Locally, the majority of this funding flows through the South West Local Health Integration Network.
- There is also support for programs from the city, a youth outreach program is funded by the Ministry of Children and Youth Service, and the centre also receives money from the Ontario Trillium Foundation.

Councillors ready for students' advice

There was unanimous agreement among councillors Tuesday on the idea of taking advice from students.

The city's corporate services committee heard enthusiastic support for adding eight students, four from Fanshawe College and four from Western University, to its advisory committees.

One student will be added to each of eight committees, although one councillor pointed out they already had the option.

"Students have never been precluded from advisory committees," said Coun. Judy Bryant. "It's always been an opportunity, and we've had a lot of them over the years."

She said there are already two student representatives on the creative city committee, so adding another will make three. But that won't give their views too much weight because the new additions will be non-voting members.

City staff explained the appointments will be made for one year only, instead of the four years for other advisory committee members. That's because students might finish their education and leave the city.

But there was hope expressed that more involvement in city life might get them to stay put once they've graduated.

"I think it's a great thing to do," said Coun. Bud Polhill about the eight new members.

"Hopefully it gives them a positive impression of how the city operates, and hopefully it gives them more of an incentive to stay in the city after school and to tell other students to do the same."

Full council must weigh in on the idea Tuesday to make it final.

MIKE DONACHIE/METRO

Scotiabank. Alleged bank robber in police custody following arrest

A 37-year-old London man has been arrested in connection with a Thursday robbery at the Scotiabank on Fanshawe Park Road.

Mickey Lacourse is charged with one count of robbery while armed with an offensive weapon or imitation.

The imitation turned out to be a black pellet gun, which was found when cops executed a search warrant at a residence and inside a vehicle.

The search also turned up an unspecified amount of cash.

Lacourse is believed to have demanded and received money from a teller before fleeing the bank.

He remained in custody Tuesday afternoon.

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On the web

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Fight for a fair deal with your wallet, Western students say

Food and drink. Aspiring engineers launch fair-trade campaign

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From left, students Julian Smith, Jess Barker and Alex Hockin, all part of Engineers Without Borders at Western University, serve up fair-trade coffee Tuesday at the Spoke café. MIKE DONACHIE/METRO

Think carefully about what you eat, students and staff at Western University are being told.

Members of the university's Engineers Without Borders group are asking people to consider where their food and drink come from.

Are producers getting a fair deal?

Fair-trade lead Alex Hockin insists they should, and people should buy fair-trade goods whenever they can.

"It's a stepping stone for my generation making trade more fair for producers in developing countries," she said. "In the past we've become accustomed to our products becoming so much cheaper, at the expense of producers having a proper quality of life."

The passionate student activists led by Hockin are taking part in Canada's first national Fair Trade Campus event this week. They will have a stand in the University Community Centre Thursday as they try to spread the message.

The community centre's café — the Spoke — already sells fair-trade coffee and tea, and Fair Trade Western, a subgroup within Engineers Without Borders, is campaigning for everyone to get involved.

Members have been working with the student council and the university's hospitality services to increase the number of certified products on campus.

They have also organized a coffee loyalty card that gives people a free coffee if they stick with fair trade.

Quoted

"Fair trade is the future."

Alex Hockin, leader of a fair-trade initiative at Western University

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- Engineers Without Borders is a movement of professional engineers, students, overseas volunteer staff and supporters across Canada.
- The aim is to create opportunities for positive change in the lives of rural Africans in Zambia, Malawi, Ghana and Burkina Faso.
- Visit ewb.ca to learn more.

Hey, 'it's cool': New and improved City of London website goes live

There was plenty of praise from councillors Tuesday as the city launched its new website.

Billed as better organized and easier to use, london.ca went live in the morning and was presented to the corporate services committee.

"It's cool," said Mayor Joe Fontana. "We can finally say the City of London has a cool website."

Amid the congratulations and the thanks for hard-working staff, the mayor highlighted its important features, such as the ability to include a banner across the site warning of emergencies, extreme weather and special events.

It also serves as a better introduction to councillors, with biographies and links on dedicated pages.

"I thought that was missing from the last site," said communications director Rob Paynter as he talked committee members through the site. "I work with you people, but I don't know much about you, frankly."

But there was one concern.

Coun. Nancy Branscombe asked how the city is driving traffic to the site and, after hearing no targeted effort is underway, she suggested a marketing plan be put in place to promote it.

The committee supported her motion calling for a plan to be drawn up when staff time allows.

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By the numbers

$360K

Cost of city's new website.

Forchuk. Mental-health researcher recognized

Dr. Cheryl Forchuk
CONTRIBUTED

London scientist Dr. Cheryl Forchuk is getting a nod on the national level.

Forchuk received the Recovery Research Award from Psychosocial Rehabilitation Canada on Tuesday for her work in mental health.

For the past 20 years, Forchuk has focused her work on identifying social factors that influence mental health and finding ways to influence those factors to help patients.

Among her successes is the Mental Health Engagement Network, which uses a web and iPhone app to empower clients with mood and anxiety disorders to manage their own recoveries.

Forchuk is assistant director at Lawson Health Research Institute and a professor at Western University.

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More than a month after London doctor Tarek Loubani and Toronto filmmaker John Greyson were jailed in Egypt, supporters called Tuesday on the Canadian government to take action. Prime Minister Stephen Harper, one supporter said, needs to step up and "pick up the phone."

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'Free them now'

1 Free Tarek and John.

Supporters of Tarek Loubani and John Greyson gather for a rally and march Tuesday in Victoria Park. ALL PHOTOS ANGELA MULLINS/METRO

2 We'll say it again.

Rachel Van Harten, 28, of London, waves a picture of Tarek Loubani and cheers as a speaker calls for his release.

3 One more time now.

It was a peaceful rally, with signs doing most of the talking, but the equivalent of a small army hoped the world was listening. Buttons, badges and about 300 people all said the same thing: "Free Tarek and John."

Thirty-nine days in a foreign prison without formal charges. Nine days on a hunger strike. More than 115,000 signatures on a petition.

Still, London doctor Tarek Loubani and Toronto filmmaker John Greyson remain behind bars in Egypt and, so far, there appears to be little anyone can do about it.

About 300 placard-waving supporters, many from the city's medical community, gathered Tuesday for a rally on their behalf in Victoria Park.

Ann Desroches, an emergency-room clerk at London Health Sciences Centre, said news of the pair's captivity was difficult to believe.

"It sounded like a bad movie," she said. "Stuff like that shouldn't happen. We're Canadians, we shouldn't be held without cause in other countries, especially Dr. Loubani.

"He's the most peaceful guy you know, and he just wanted to help."

Loubani and Greyson were passing through Cairo on a medical-aid mission to Gaza. When they entered a police station to seek directions, they were arrested, supporters say.

That was on Aug. 16.

Since then, an Egyptian prosecutor has linked them to a terrorist plot that has neither been substantiated nor fully explained.

Colleague and friend Dr. Amit Shah described Loubani as "one of the most humanitarian people that many of us have ever met" and labelled the allegations as ludicrous.

"All of us who know him know that the only weapon that Tarek would've been using was his stethoscope, and the only thing he could be guilty of would be helping his fellow man," Shah said during Tuesday's rally.

London Health Sciences Centre nephrologist Dr. Ben Thompson, who had planned to meet Loubani and Greyson in Gaza City on Aug. 30, delivered an impassioned speech calling on Prime Minister Stephen Harper to intervene.

"In light of John and Tarek's ongoing, unjust imprisonment, the Loubani and Greyson families want this peaceful rally to show solidarity in urging Stephen Harper to pick up the phone," Thompson said. "Prime Minister Harper, I urge you to pick up the phone."

Quoted

"All of us who know him know that the only weapon that Tarek would've been using was his stethoscope."

Dr. Amit Shah, a colleague and friend of Tarek Loubani

Teacher takes wrong turn, runs marathon

Meredith Fitzmaurice
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I'll just run with it. 34-year-old teacher starts the half-race, ends up the first woman to complete the full race

LUKE SIMCOE
Metro Online

Meredith Fitzmaurice celebrated her win at Sunday's Run for Heroes Marathon in Amherstburg, Ont., despite not having entered the race.

The runner from Belle River, Ont., had signed up for the 21.1-kilometre half-marathon, but after a wrong turn landed her on the full-marathon course, she just kept going.

"As I was looking at my watch, I was thinking something's wrong. Where's the finish line?" she said.

After realizing her mistake, the 34-year-old teacher checked with a race official to see if she would be eligible to finish.

"The guy was awesome," she said. "And once he said I was good to go, my adrenaline just kicked in."

In the end, Fitzmaurice finished her very first marathon with a time of 3:11:48. She was the first woman to cross the finish line and 10th overall.

"I didn't even realize I was the first female until people started yelling at me and high-fiving me," she said. "Once I crossed the finish line and realized the magnitude of what I had done, I started crying."

Fitzmaurice's time was good enough to qualify her for the Boston Marathon.

Just do it

"Once he said I was good to go, my adrenaline just kicked in."
Meredith Fitzmaurice

'Hollow Flashlight.' 15-year-old Canadian wins at Google science fair

A 15-year-old Victoria student who invented a flashlight powered by body heat is one of the big winners at Google's annual international science fair.

Ann Makosinski won in the 15 to 16 age category, beating out thousands of other budding young scientists from around the world.

The "Hollow Flashlight" runs off the heat of the hand holding it, using special tiles that generate electricity from the heat flow between the palm on one side and the ambient air on the other.

The Grade 10 student at St. Michael's University in Victoria says she will explore more ways to use the technology to reduce battery use, including possibly in medical devices.

Makosinski received a $25,000 scholarship with four other winners at a gala ceremony in California on Monday night. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Edmonton

Police suspect teens overdosed on synthetic marijuana

Two Edmonton-area teenagers are in hospital after overdosing on what is believed to be a designer drug that federal health authorities have warned can potentially kill.

RCMP say they got word Monday afternoon about a 14-year-old boy in St. Albert having seizures in a back alley.

A 16-year-old boy was later reported to be in medical distress at a school parking lot in the city.

The younger teen remains unconscious while the older boy is awake and in stable condition.

Police think the pair used synthetic marijuana, known as K2 or Spice, which Health Canada said in July could trigger a range of traumatic effects that may lead to death. CHED/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Pro-Putin opera stars face angry protesters in New York

An anti-Putin protester demonstrates in front of the Metropolitan Opera at Lincoln Center Monday in New York, where the Met held its season-opening gala featuring soprano Anna Netrebko and conductor Valery Gergiev, two longtime supporters of Russian President Vladimir Putin. Putin, who has upheld anti-gay laws passed by the Russian legislature, has denied that homosexuals face discrimination in Russia and said the law does not infringe on their rights. JAMES WAGNER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

This little Piggy went to the Smithsonian. Kermit's girlfriend joins him in D.C.

Miss Piggy is finally joining her love, Kermit the Frog, in the Smithsonian Institution's collection of Jim Henson's Muppets, and Bert and Ernie will have a place in history, too.

The newest donation from the Henson family includes Miss Piggy, Fozzie Bear, Scooter and the Swedish Chef from The Muppet Show. Muppets from Sesame Street joining the collection include Bert and Ernie, Elmo, Cookie Monster, Grover and Count Von Count. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Miss Piggy is dressed up during a ceremony in Washington Tuesday.
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Panic in streets. People pray for their lives as houses collapse in quake

Thousands of Pakistanis ran into the streets praying for their lives Tuesday as a powerful earthquake rocked a remote area in the southwest.

The quake killed at least 39 people and possibly created a small island off the coast, officials said.

The Pakistani military said it was rushing troops and helicopters to Baluchistan province's Awaran district, where the quake was centred, and the nearby area of Khuzdar.

Local officials said they were sending doctors, food and 1,000 tents for people who had nowhere to sleep as strong aftershocks continued to shake the region.

Most of the victims were killed when their houses collapsed, according to the chief spokesperson for the country's National Disaster Management Authority, Mirza Kamran Zia.

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Breaking the news: A woman takes to her cellphone after rushing from her apartment after the quake hit. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Mystery in Wales. Police hunt for a body amid village slavery probe

Welsh police arrested four people and combed the grounds of a stable outside the capital city, Cardiff, on Tuesday, hunting for a body in a long-running slavery investigation.

Gwent Police said more than 100 officers searched the grounds, as well as an apartment in Cardiff and a house in the small Welsh village of Penhow.

Those arrested are between the ages of 36 and 66.

The force said it was acting on suspicion that people were being kept in poor conditions at the site "and forced to work for no pay."

Police said an unnamed man — he is believed to be a Polish national — was recovered from the site on Monday and was being assessed by the police and personnel from British Red Cross.

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The black-clad hunters

The police believe a body might be hidden. Pictures published online showed black-clad officers picking through underbrush with rods, and an excavator being deployed at the site.

Death sentences

Rapists show their faces at last

Four men sentenced to death in India for raping and murdering a young woman on a moving bus appeared at a New Delhi court as judges reviewed the penalty.

Three of the men uncovered their faces in public for the first time since the crime, while one wore a handkerchief tied over his face.

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Faces 20 years jail

Cruise ship captain backed

The Italian captain of the shipwrecked Costa Concordia is getting support at his trial from representatives of the victims. They say faulty generators, pumps and elevators could have increased the casualty rate.

Francesco Schettino faces 20 years in prison if convicted of charges including manslaughter.

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Cold-blooded mall tweets unleashed

Kenya atrocity. As bodies piled up and a nation reeled in shock, mass killers took to Twitter to mock and threaten more horror

Too distraught to even weep: Relatives of a victim of the Kenya mall massacre comfort each other after they identify his body at the Nairobi city morgue on Tuesday. JEROME DELAY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

As the deadly attack unfolded inside Kenya's Westgate mall, the invading terrorists were callously spreading mayhem on Twitter.

They sent out tweet after cruel tweet, taunting the Kenyan military, defending the mass killings and threatening more bloodshed.

Twitter shut the account down five times. But each time the terror organization al-Shabab started a new feed.

The sixth account was a post Tuesday linking to a photo that purported to show two of the attackers "unruffled and strolling around the mall in such sangfroid manner."

The tweet mocked Kenya's security forces for their repeated assurances over two days — also tweeted — that the siege was nearly over.

It wasn't the first time al-Shabab has live-tweeted a terrorist attack, said J.M. Berger, a U.S.-based terrorism analyst who monitors the group's online presence.

The militants offered comments in real time or nearly so in recent attacks in Mogadishu and the attempted assassination of the Somali president.

But the drawn-out Kenya attack, which left at least dozens dead, brought the group to a much wider stage, amplified by its social-media savvy.

"The person who runs their Twitter account has obviously invested a lot of energy in the process of grabbing headlines," said Berger, who has called out al-Shabab before for violating Twitter's terms of service.

He did so again after the attack began on Saturday, announced by gunshots, grenades and the group's chosen hashtag, #Westgate. The account was closed. A new feed opened, the handle sent to journalists on the al-Shabab email list, with crisp assurances tweeted back to users who requested their names be added. But as the death toll rose — and images were broadcast worldwide of the terror, which included a bloodied woman and terrified children — the group found itself roundly condemned, and the tweets became more defensive: "Mujahideen have no desire to kill women & children and have done everything practically possible to evacuate them before attacking #Westgate."

The communications onslaught, which included back-and-forth tweets with Kenya's security forces, had police at one point appealing to "all Kenyans to ignore the propaganda of those intent on dividing us and breaking us down." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Quoted

"Those cowards will meet justice as will their accomplices and patrons, wherever they are."

Kenya President Uhuru Kenyatta, in a televised address to the nation

Kenya President Uhuru Kenyatta
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

President lists shocking toll

Kenya's president proclaimed victory Tuesday over the terrorists who stormed a Nairobi mall and unleashed a deadly spree of mass killings in a bloody four-day siege.

Security forces had "ashamed and defeated our attackers," President Uhuru Kenyatta said.

Kenyatta said the dead included 61 civilians whose bodies have been recovered so far and six security forces.

Some 175 were injured, Kenyatta said.

But it seemed certain the number of confirmed deaths would rise as security forces searched the building.

Nairobi's city morgue had already braced for the arrival of a large number of bodies of people killed, an official said.

A government official said the morgue was preparing for an additional 60 bodies.

Explosions rang from the upscale Westgate mall in Nairobi throughout Tuesday, and the chatter of gunfire from inside the building could also be heard.

Fresh smoke rose from the building in the afternoon.

Kenyatta declared three days of national mourning starting Wednesday.

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New legislation

Ont. bill aims to reduce taxes for small businesses

Ontario's governing Liberals are moving ahead with a budget promise to reduce taxes paid by small businesses. A new bill introduced by Finance Minister Charles Sousa would raise the ceiling for a health-tax exemption, increasing the threshold to $450,000 from $400,000, and index it to inflation. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Market Minute

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Retail. Sears CEO departs as turnaround underway

Sears Canada's chief executive is leaving the retailer for another job, in a move that raises questions about the future of the company's turnaround plan in an increasingly competitive marketplace.

Sears said Tuesday Calvin McDonald, who has spearheaded a number of major initiatives to reposition the company, will be replaced as president and CEO by chief operating officer Douglas Campbell, who has been Sears Canada's chief operating officer since November.

The company said McDonald resigned to pursue an opportunity with a "leading international company."

Sears Canada spokesman Vince Power said McDonald hasn't informed the company where he's going, but he disputed a report that McDonald was leaving due to a disagreement with majority shareholder Sears Holdings Corp.

Desjardins Securities analyst Keith Howlett called the move a negative for the company, saying McDonald's departure reduces the probability of an operating turnaround.

"Our view was that McDonald was a talented, energetic retail executive and might have been able to accomplish a turnaround against what we perceive as long odds," Howlett wrote in a note to clients.

Incoming CEO Campbell joined Sears Canada in March 2011. He graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy with a degree in economics, before serving as a commissioned officer in the U.S. Marine Corps and receiving an MBA from the Wharton School.

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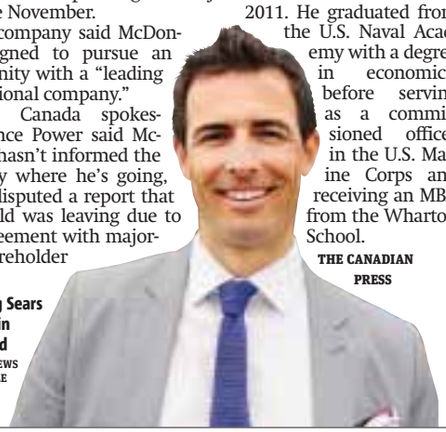

Outgoing Sears CEO Calvin McDonald
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The home page of Google's Constitute project. SCREENGRAB

Need to build a country? Google's got you covered

Politics. Metro talks to product manager Sara 'Scout' Sinclair Brody about a new database of founding documents

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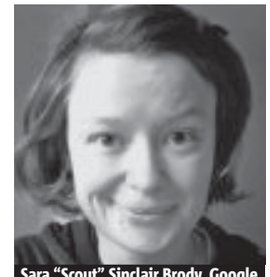
Metro World News

Not content with its recent announcement of a life-extension clinic, Google has unveiled a program to help nations create constitutions. Constitute provides a database of every founding document and amendment across the world since 1789, broken down into topics for ease of reference. It has been endorsed by heads of state from Tunisia and Kyrgyzstan, and Sara "Scout" Sinclair Brody, Google Ideas product manager, says there is no catch.

How would you describe this service?
It's a tool, and a repository. It allows people to search and compare constitutions.

Are you responding to a demand for this?
There is a specific demand, uncovered by our partners at the Comparative Constitutions Project, who have been helping countries draft constitutions for years. They built a library and used to drag it around, and then used documents in the digital age. But we were able to get it all online with tags for each topic and a beautiful interface.

Are constitutions not outdated yet? Why do people argue over interpretation of a 300-year-old scroll?
For web junkies like me, we think of them as anachronisms — something men who have oil paintings made of them do.



Sara "Scout" Sinclair Brody, Google Ideas product manager
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But five are being drafted every year, and on average they last for 17 years. I had no idea how relevant or current they could be — it can be a very political process with the power to generate improvements.

Should Google really be involved in the formation of nations, particularly those in crisis?
Some people think it's surprising — but they should realize this is a tool for providing information, rather than seeking to have an influence.

It must be fun working at (think/do tank) Google Ideas. What do you guys do all day?
It's really about creating partnerships, working with other organizations in parts of the world that are repressive or unstable. We try to empower people doing great work, and give it a technological twist.

Won't world leaders now just copy each other's homework?
On the contrary, I expect more variation. All drafts before now have relied on prior texts, and in some cases copying and pasting entire clauses. If you can see what everyone else has done you can see the wealth of options, you can customize the phrasing, and make it workable for your population.

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CAPTAIN KIRK AFRAID TO FLY?

JUST SAYIN'

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"Space: the final frontier. These are the voyages of the Starship Enterprise. Its five-year mission: to explore strange new worlds, to seek out new life and new civilizations; to boldly go where no man has gone before."

The imaginations of multiple generations have been fired by that statement, first uttered by Captain James T. Kirk, a.k.a. Canadian-born actor William Shatner, on the opening episode of Star Trek in 1966. Shatner has been succeeded by a gallery of Star Trek captains, but when most of us think about boldly going etc., we think of William Shatner.

Which is why it's more than a letdown to learn that Shatner, now 83, has refused an invitation from Sir Richard Branson to be on the first voyage of the Virgin Galactic spaceship, scheduled to lift off on Christmas Day.

I mean, come on Jim, I mean Bill, it's hardly a five-year mission, just a short, two-hour jaunt, and it's not going very far: 100 kilometres above Earth, generally recognized as the border between our planet's atmosphere and space. It's the space travel equivalent of taking the stairs from the parking garage instead of the elevator.

Nonetheless, Kirk, I mean Shatner, isn't biting. That is unless Branson offers to pay his way, and can guarantee a safe return. Branson isn't taking any of this well and has accused the Captain of the Starship Enterprise of being afraid to fly.

That's like saying Spider-Man is afraid to hang off the sides of buildings.

I guess it's a compliment to Shatner that we still confuse an overweight octogenarian with a fantasy hero from a science-fiction future.

With him at the helm of the Enterprise at the onset of the voyage, Star Trek has grown to become more than entertainment. It's our imaginative bridge to real space exploration, making the whole idea viable in the minds of Trekkies everywhere — including engineers, astrophysicists, politicians, Metro columnists — influential people who prevent space travel from being written off as an inexcusably expensive luxury at a time when California, the most populous state in the U.S. and home of much of the space flight industry, is on the verge of bankruptcy.

If we had any sense, we'd stop thinking about revisiting the moon or going to Mars, never mind trying to get to the moons of Saturn, or out of the solar system altogether and into strange new precincts of the galaxy. But staying home and sticking to your knitting is hardly inspiring.

Which is why Shatner's uncharacteristic lack of enthusiasm for a token space ride is so disappointing. He should know too that he's passing up the chance to travel with Justin Bieber and Ashton Kutcher, along with Mila Kunis, Leonardo DiCaprio and Russell Brand.

On the other hand, maybe you can't blame him. Not sure I'd boldly go to a mall opening with that crowd.

ZOOM

Blazing saddles ignite relief

NAOMI JELLICOE/REX FEATURES

Bikers amaze by riding across fire

They have just ridden the fiery apocalypse and come out alive. Two riders from the Findon Skid Kids, a cycle speedway club in the southern Australian city of Adelaide, safely emerge from a blazing fire stunt jump, with hundreds of fans cheering in joy and relief. **METRO**

Hot hot heat

"We couldn't can it after 55 years. It is a tradition that is part of this club. Had the conditions been different — if it was windy — we probably wouldn't have done it."

Allan Staunton,
Findon Skid Kids president

Failed jump had left riders badly hurt

Six months ago, the Findon Skid Kids' time-honoured stunt ended in disaster after three teens were hospitalized with severe burns. The flaming cardboard the riders jumped through failed to break up as planned and instead stuck to the riders. **METRO**

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Sure, there's an appeal to subscribing to services like Sirius or Rdio, but the abundance of free streaming platforms has kept me from taking the plunge. SoundCloud is easily where I spend most of my streaming hours. Here's three of my favourite accounts to get you started.

CONTRIBUTED

Deep and Disco

Exactly what it sounds like: modern disco that's a perfect fit for any and all of your workout playlists. Or just leave it streaming on a lazy Sunday, and before you know it, you will have cleaned your entire house.

Domino Record Co.

A lovingly tended and eclectic U.K. record label that's home to a roster of artists — including Canada's Austra — that any other company should envy. No matter your taste, finding something new to love is a sure bet.

Modular People

An Australian label that sticks pretty close to electronic music that gets your feet moving. There's already a few hour-plus mixes uploaded to the account, so most of the work has been done for you.

Letters

Youth suicide is a very pressing issue. A solution is to help the children openly express their emotions.

With this is mind, a Toronto hospital recently launched a new program: an interactive video game.

This cannot be a solution, especially directed to the young audience. Even with parental monitoring, youth in today's generation are playing hours a day. If instead, the children are encouraged to play video games, problems will start to arise.

After realizing that video games are completely permissible, children will start to expand their gaming territory to other video games and genres. Before you know it, they are attached to the television with a pair of headphones, and a controller glued to their hands.

Although suicidal thoughts are set aside because of the new addiction, results of addictive video gaming include neglected academic progress, bad influences and social isolation, studies suggest.

An alternative like video games is not the answer. Parents should be spending more time with their children. Simply put, parents are the most important people in a child's life.

Janet Li, Mississauga, Ont.

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Scarlett Johansson doesn't care about your love life

Interview. The Don Jon star talks about image, the Internet and having a private life away from stardom

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Metro World News in Hollywood

Joseph Gordon-Levitt, left, and Scarlett Johansson star in Don Jon. CONTRIBUTED

Don Jon writer-director-star Joseph Gordon-Levitt says he wanted Scarlett Johansson as his co-star in part because she herself has been a victim of a certain amount of objectification within pop culture.

But while Johansson is happy for the implied compliment, she doesn't think she's all that special.

"I think that sure, I've been a victim, if you want to say, of that as much as anybody else. I don't feel particularly affected by that more so than any other person in the spotlight, I guess," she says. "But I think it's something that I've used — my own status as a sexiest whatever you want to call it or whatever it is, a label you want to put on it — I've been able to use to my advantage while trying to avoid getting pigeonholed as much as possible. I don't want the work that I do to feel like a reaction to the fact that I'm trying to get away from that."

Speaking of getting away from that, Johansson keeps away from the vast swaths of Internet devoted to her beauty and private life.

"I stopped my Googling myself," she admits. "Nothing good ever comes out of it. It's best to avoid it. Gives you an inflated idea of yourself, as well. You suddenly feel like everybody's paying attention to you all the time."

Of course, in her case she might be right — even if the idea still strikes her as odd.

"The other thing is, why do you care? You don't know me," she says. "It always makes me wonder why anybody cares. I don't particularly care to know how any person I don't know, about their romantic life. I mean, I guess we're all nosy in some way, but it's something that seems unrelated in my mind. I mean, I know people like celebrities and maybe that gives them something to dream about. I don't know."

That's not to say Johansson wants any of that content eradicated — or even regulated in any way.

"There are no rules; that's the Internet. There's no rules. You can't impose them, then we'd be living in China," she says.

"If you want to have a free country or whatever, you can't impose any regulations on the Internet. Anyway, it's impossible. Again, unless you're living in a country that has a restricted access, and then who's to say exactly what should and shouldn't be regulated? It's an impossible task."

In control

What she really wants to do is direct. And it might not be far behind.

- **Taking the chair.** While pal Joseph Gordon-Levitt might have beat her to the director's chair with Don Jon, Scarlett Johansson won't be far behind. "I'm actually directing a film next summer, which is an adaptation of a (Truman) Capote novella called Summer Crossing," she says. "It's something I've been working on for what feels like forever. It's been about six years, and we're finally going to do it."

Quick interview

Danza talking about Don Jon

A few weeks ago, Taxi turned 35. That and Who's the Boss? are what Tony Danza is best known for — but he's always been busy. The one-time boxer who stumbled into acting is now back in a medium that hasn't always treated him well — movies. Danza plays Joseph Gordon-Levitt's dad in Don Jon.

Your character in Don Jon isn't very redemptive.
He's not redemptive at all. But everybody you play you love. Tommy Korman in Honeymoon in Vegas is a manipulator and not a nice guy, and at the end he actually gets rough. But I love him.

How was Joseph Gordon-Levitt as a first-time feature film director?
He's terrific. He wrote a movie that captures the culture of the minute and makes us laugh, and there's a message that — he's not proselytizing, but it's there. It's a cautionary tale; a comment on society.

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It's Twerk Girl to the rescue

Do you think Miley Cyrus ever regrets becoming the poster child for twerking? I mean, she's clearly into it, but I bet everywhere she goes now, people are like, "Twerk, Miley, twerk! Twerk in this dry cleaners! Twerk in this hat!" and probably sometimes she is like "Sigh, not now, I am trying to enjoy this TED talk."

But she is Twerk Girl now. So she has to do it. That's probably how she ended up twerking with a monkey in a cowboy costume on her back, anyway.

Miley tweeted a photo of the simian pas de deux. It doesn't actually look like there's much twerking going on, since she's sprawled out on the floor, but the monkey does look terrified, so maybe there's more motion than I can see.

Miley also tweeted a photo of her humping a big furry muppet-looking gentleman, but that was just for fun I'm sure.

In any event, Miley has obviously learned nothing from her much-panned performance at the VMAs. In fact, it seems like our tsk-tsk-ing is only feeding the low-rent Gwen Stefani-wannabe beast. Case in point: she not only wore this outfit to the iHeartRadio Music Festival this weekend, but she also butt-slapped a twerking little person and sang into a banana microphone.

I mean, we already have one Ke$ha. Do we really need another?

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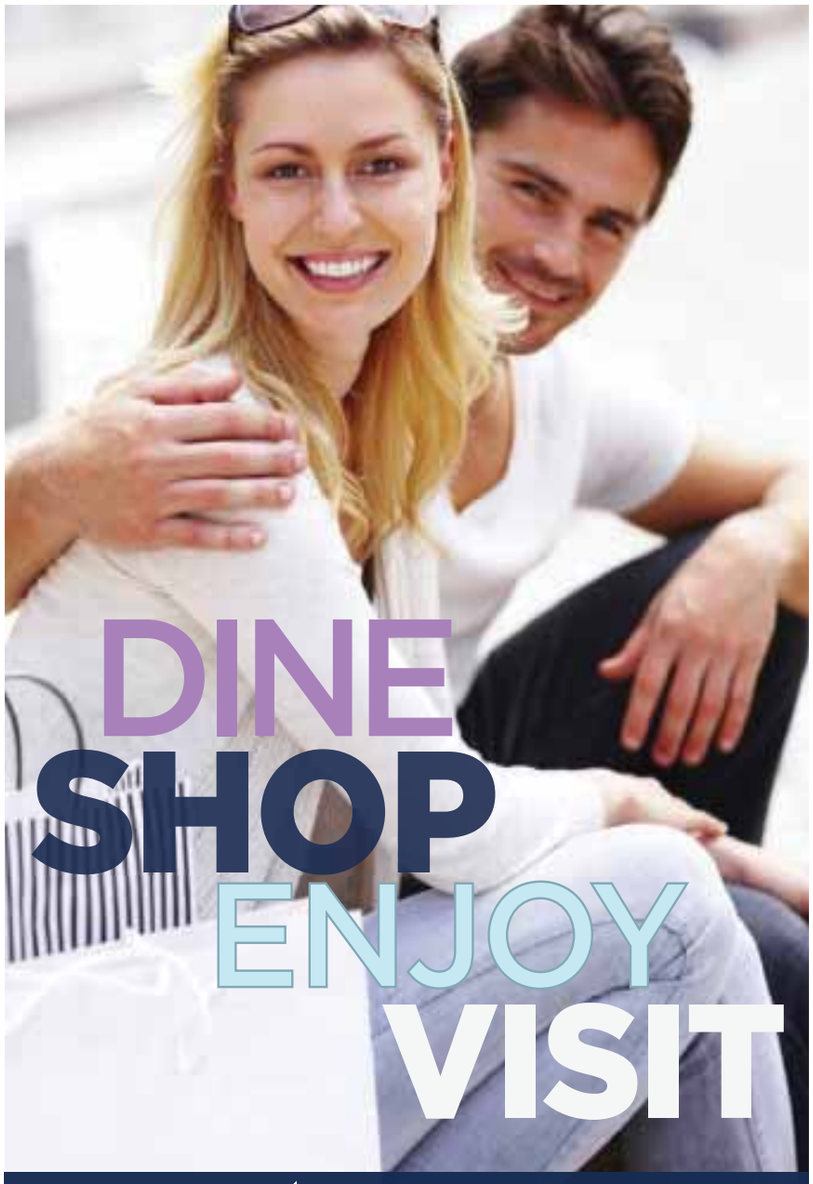

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The stein for beer has come

Oktoberfest. Once a year North Americans raise their glasses to Bavarian love. Here's where to imbibe

JANET CHOI
Metro World News in New York

You don't need to head to Munich to toast to Oktoberfest. ISTOCK

What started out as a celebration to mark the marriage of two Bavarian royals in 1810 has turned into a global annual kegger.

The mother of all Oktoberfests is a 16-day, beer-fueled party in Munich, Germany, that has spawned countless imitations.

Here are a few in North America that will be worth your time and sobriety in the month of October.

For the real deal

Oktoberfest Denver
Denver, Colo.
Sept. 27-29, Oct. 4-6

Though it doesn't have strong German roots, it's no surprise that the Mile High City boasts what USA Today and Maxim magazine have touted as The Best Oktoberfest in the United States. Denver appears to be vying for the title of America's Beer Capital with its respected breweries, brew pubs and the largest beer festival in the country.

Oktoberfest Denver will offer the requisite "Food, Bier, Music and Stein Hoisting" at its fest.

In addition, David Hasselhoff loyalists will be pleased to hear that the 5K run, Das Hustlehoff, will pay tribute to The Hoff, and each runner will receive a free Das Hustlehoff shirt.

Leavenworth Oktoberfest
Leavenworth, Wash.
Oct. 4-5, 11-12, 18-19

Once the headquarters for the Great Northern Railway, the city of Leavenworth found itself struggling after the railroad relocated early in the 1900s. In 1962, a committee was formed, its sole task to revitalize the city's economy — by turning Leavenworth into a replica of a Bavarian village.

Helen, Ga.
Through Oct. 27

Helen is a former logging town that underwent a similarly Bavarian transformation.

Once there, you can also take in the late- October fall foliage.

For the procrastinators

Tulsa Oktoberfest
Tulsa, Okla.
Oct. 17-20

The Munich Oktoberfest ends the first weekend in October, and in case you have too much on your plate to participate in a timely manner, there are a number of celebrations that are planning to oompah-pah well into the end of October.

Tulsa Oktoberfest is one of the most popular celebrations around the country, and for good reason — namely, keg rolling contests.

But this year's celebration has already been hit with controversy before the first pitcher has even been poured: organizers are doing away with the 64-ounce pitchers and replacing them with 34-ounce souvenir steins.

Many are crying foul at the downsizing, but will probably just end up drowning their tears in steins full of beer.

Canada's take on Bavaria

- **Kitchener/Waterloo.** Oct. 11-19. Running since 1969, Kitchener, Ont.'s Oktoberfest began as a way to celebrate the community's German heritage. It's now grown into the largest Bavarian festival in North America and includes a Thanksgiving Day parade. There are 40 events fest goers can choose from, including a Stein and Dine, a five-kilometre run, a car show and plenty of musical entertainment. Visit oktoberfest.ca.

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Oh, put a steak in it already

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This is a great pasta dish with tender slices of beef and a light pesto sauce. Feel free to substitute chicken breast or sautéed shrimp for the steak. If basil is expensive, try a mixture of green leaves such as parsley, spinach, arugula or cilantro.

1. In nonstick skillet sprayed with vegetable spray, cook beef just until desired doneness. Drain and set aside.

2. Pesto: Put basil, olive oil, Parmesan, pine nuts and garlic in food processor; process until finely chopped. Gradually add the stock through the feed tube and process until smooth. Add salt and pepper. Put pesto in serving bowl.

3. In large pot of boiling water, cook the penne until tender but firm.

4. Meanwhile, heat oil in nonstick skillet over medium heat; cook garlic and onions for 4 minutes until brown. Add mushrooms and sauté for 4 minutes until tender. Add tomatoes and peas and cook for 2 minutes more to heat through.

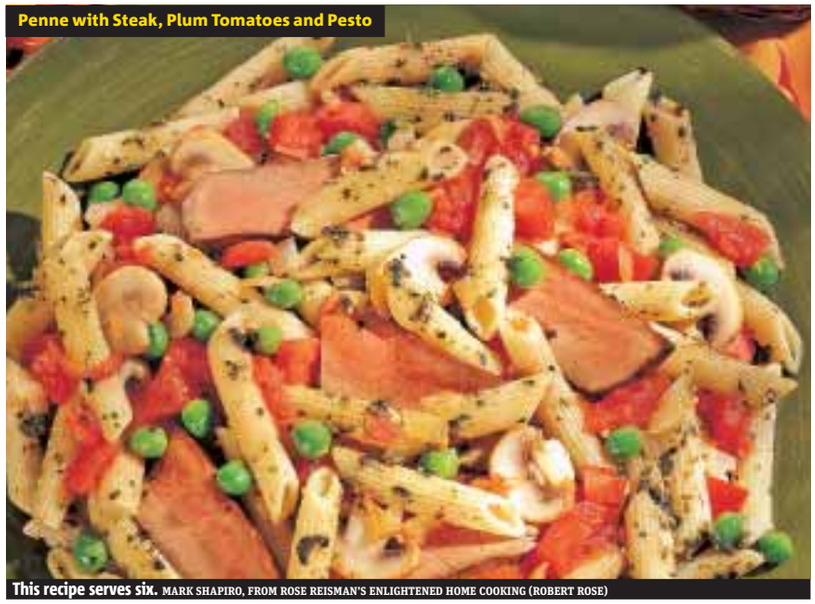
5. Place drained pasta in serving bowl along with vegetables and steak; toss and serve.

Ingredients

- 6 oz thinly sliced beef steak such as New York strip

Pesto Sauce

- 1 1/2 cups packed fresh basil
- 3 tbsp olive oil
- 3 tbsp Parmesan cheese
- 2 tbsp toasted pine nuts
- 1 1/2 tsp minced garlic
- 3 tbsp chicken stock or water
- Dash of salt and pepper
- 12 oz penne
- 1 tsp vegetable oil
- 1 tsp minced garlic
- 1 1/3 cups chopped onions
- 1 3/4 cups sliced mushrooms
- 2 1/4 cups chopped fresh plum tomatoes
- 1/2 cup green peas



Penne with Steak, Plum Tomatoes and Pesto

This recipe serves six. MARK SHAPIRO, FROM ROSE REISMAN'S ENLIGHTENED HOME COOKING (ROBERT ROSE)

ROSE REISMAN'S ENLIGHTENED HOME COOKING (ROBERT ROSE) BY ROSE REISMAN

Drink of the Week

Power Hour Sour

Cheeky and flavourful, this sour drink with an interesting addition of egg white packs a punch!

- 2 oz Belvedere Vodka
- 3/4 oz fresh lemon juice
- 3/4 oz simple syrup
- Dash egg white (optional)

Shake and strain over cubed ice into a rocks glass. Garnish with a wedge of lemon.

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To bask in our digital dreams or to wake up and relish the real world?

Where is my mind? A digital media maven takes on the tough balancing act between technology and true life

YLVA VAN BUUREN
Metro World News

"It's like we're living in the science fiction future right now, and the real stories are more incredible than fiction."

Producer/director Ramona Pringle, 31, took her words to heart when she created Avatar Secrets, an exciting 10-part interactive documentary project that is being developed as an iPad-based app.

Avatar Secrets is set in both the real world and the virtual world and is a combination of Pringle's real-life memoir, a graphic e-novel, and a documentary.

The trailer for Ramona Pringle's Avatar Secrets is being launched Thursday during a keynote talk by the producer and director at Social Media Week in Toronto. CONTRIBUTED

The premise of Avatar Secrets: If we dig a little deeper into the allure of video games and technology maybe we will uncover some of what we're missing in the real world.

Avatar Secrets is a bold project and certainly one of the reasons why Pringle was recently named one of Playback's 10 2 Watch in the new age.

Pringle has worked as an actor and was in movies including Shoot 'Em Up and Cinderella Man. She has a master's degree in interactive telecommunications from New York University and today teaches interactive storytelling at Ryerson University. She has worked as a multi-platform producer for CBC, TVO, CTV and PBS.

Her other major project at this time is rdigitallife.com, an online hub that explores what it means to be human in today's digital world.

A digital drug?

"We're not addicted to technology, we're addicted to each other."

- View the trailer for Ramona Pringle's interactive iPad documentary Avatar Secrets at metronews.ca/avatar — and keep an eye out for more from Pringle on Metro soon.

Here are Pringle's tips for living in the digital world:

The big draw of all our technologies is each other, so focus on the person, not the technology
Choose when and how to connect with people. For a heart-to-heart, nothing beats face-to-face; for conversing with an overseas relative, Skype may be best; for making plans with a friend, IM.

Engage fully whether you're online or offline
We are living in what I call the "hybrid reality" — constantly straddling the "real" world and the "digital" world. The challenge is to make sure that being in both worlds doesn't mean that we don't fully engage in either. Choose where you want to focus your attention — whether you're looking into a screen or someone else's eyes.

Empower yourself — don't let gadgets and apps control you
We have this reflex of checking messages when lights flash or there's a ping. Technology is here to stay but we can choose how, when, and where we engage instead of letting the machines make the decisions for us.

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CIS football

Mustangs sit behind Vanier Cup champs in rankings

The Laval Rouge et Or remained in top spot in the weekly Canadian Interuniversity Sport football rankings for the fifth straight week Tuesday.

The reigning Vanier Cup champions received 21 of 30 first-place votes and 290 points from the Football Reporters of Canada panel. Laval (4-0) topped Montreal 16-9 last weekend.

The remaining first-place votes went to the second-ranked Western Mustangs (5-0), whose latest win was a 45-24 drubbing of Wilfrid Laurier.

The Queen's Gaels (4-0), whom the Mustangs face on Friday, ranked third.

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Lance Armstrong

U.S. feds urge judge to allow lawsuit to proceed

Justice Department lawyers urged a federal judge not to dismiss the government's fraud lawsuit against Lance Armstrong, arguing the U.S. Postal Service was tainted by its sponsorship of his team while he used performance-enhancing drugs to win the Tour de France.

The Postal Service, which insists it didn't know about a team drug regimen that was exposed last year by the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency, is permanently linked to what the government lawyers called "the greatest fraud in the history of professional sports" in court records filed Monday night. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Pirates relief pitcher Jason Grilli and catcher Russell Martin celebrate after Martin tagged the Cubs' Nate Schierholtz for the final out of Pittsburgh's 2-1 win on Monday. The team clinched a playoff spot for the first time since 1992 with the victory at Wrigley Field. BRIAN KERSEY/GETTY IMAGES

Shiver me timbers! It's playoffs for Pirates

MLB. Supporters flock to team's store to pick up hats, hoodies, T-shirts celebrating playoff berth

The image is seared into Pirates fan Chad Rowland's memory forever.

The slightly up-the-line throw from Barry Bonds. The dive to the plate by catcher Mike LaValliere. The textbook slide by Sid Bream. The Pittsburgh Pirates walking off the field in stunned silence after collapsing in the ninth inning of Game 7 of the 1992 NLCS. The Atlanta Braves piling on top of each other in jubilation on their way to the World Series. Even now, 21 years later, it still stings.

The tears were welling again on Monday night, this time for an entirely different reason.

This time, finally, the Pittsburgh Pirates were on the right side of history.

One of the sport's most beleaguered franchises is back in the post-season. Pittsburgh clinched a spot in the NL playoffs on Monday night when catcher Russell Martin tagged out Chicago's Nate Schierholtz at home to end a thrilling 2-1 victory at Wrigley Field.

Pittsburgh pride

"It's big for them, it's big for our community.... It's just awesome."

Pittsburgh Steelers coach Mike Tomlin

At a time of year when the Pirates are typically playing out the string and attention in the self-dubbed "City of Champions" turns to the Steelers and the Penguins, the Pirates — yes, the Pirates — are currently the hottest thing going.

"I've seen the Penguins win the (Stanley) Cup, I've seen the Steelers win the Super Bowl," Rowland said. "This is the one thing on my list.... I've been holding on to it forever."

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NFL. It's not delivery, it's surgery for Lions' Burleson

Two days after a victory that for this franchise was downright historic, the Detroit Lions are facing another dose of adversity.

Receiver Nate Burleson broke his arm in a single-car accident early Tuesday after he reached over to keep two pizza boxes from falling off the front passenger seat, authorities said. Surgery is scheduled for Wednesday.

Burleson's car hit a centre median wall on a highway in suburban Detroit and he was taken to a hospital.

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Quoted

"Nate'll be back at some point, and when he will, he will be a big contributor again to our team."

Lions coach Jim Schwartz on Nate Burleson

Winter Olympics

Final Sochi check underway

With the opening ceremony just over four months away, IOC inspectors are making their final visit to Sochi to check on preparations for the Winter Olympics.

The IOC co-ordination commission began its 10th and last visit Tuesday to the Black Sea resort — 136 days until the opening of the Games. The visit comes five days before the lighting of the flame in Olympia, Greece. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NHL. Kessel to sit out rest of pre-season for slashing

Toronto Maple Leafs sniper Phil Kessel won't miss any time this regular season for slashing Buffalo tough guy John Scott.

The NHL has suspended Kessel for the final three games of the pre-season, but he will be available when Toronto opens its season against Montreal next Tuesday. After Buffalo's Corey Tropp was injured in a fight with Toronto's Jamie Devane on Sunday, Kessel slashed Scott when the Sabres enforcer went after him on the next shift. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Maple Leafs winger Phil Kessel
TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Checking out a clean sheet of ice

The 2013-14 NHL season starts on Tuesday night. Here are six storylines worth following:

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Winter Olympics

Speculation on who should make 2014 Olympic squads, especially Canada's, will be rampant through the first half of the season. Players from the 12 countries that qualified for the Games in Sochi, Russia, will certainly have it in mind as they approach the Feb. 9 to 25 Olympic break.

Outdoor inflation

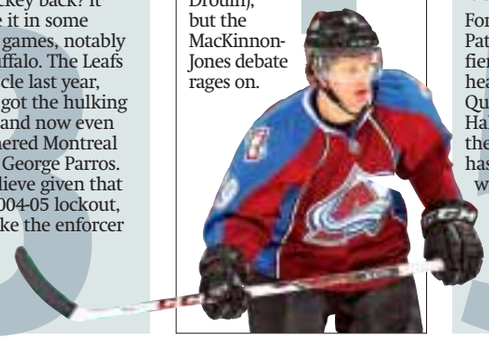
There used to be one outdoor game per season. This year there will be six. It may be overexposure, but the Jan. 1 to March 2 period will see Leafs vs. Red Wings, Ducks vs. Kings, Rangers vs. Devils, Rangers vs. Islanders, Penguins vs. Blackhawks and Senators vs. Canucks. All in baseball or football venues.

Fisticuffs

Is goon hockey back? It looked like it in some pre-season games, notably Toronto-Buffalo. The Leafs added muscle last year, the Sabres got the hulking John Scott and now even mild-mannered Montreal has signed George Parros. Hard to believe given that after the 2004-05 lockout, it looked like the enforcer was going extinct.

MacKinnon-Jones

The weeks leading up to the 2013 NHL draft were all about Nathan MacKinnon and Seth Jones. MacKinnon went first to Colorado, but Jones waited until fourth to go to Nashville. Two got picked in between (Alexander Barkov and Jonathan Drouin), but the MacKinnon-Jones debate rages on.

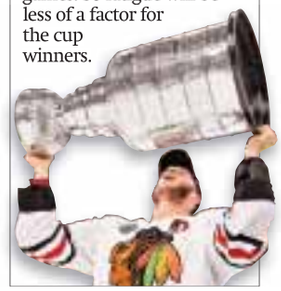


Roy era in Colorado

For the last eight years, Patrick Roy has been a fiery presence as GM and head coach of the junior Quebec Remparts. Now the Hall of Fame goaltender is the coach in Colorado, and has a say in management with old teammate Joe Sakic. With Roy's gusto and lots of young talent, the Avalanche won't go unnoticed.

Stanley Cup repeat?

There hasn't been a repeat Stanley Cup champion since the Red Wings in 1997 and 1998, but if another team does, it could be Chicago. They have the same core of Toews, Kane, Keith, Crawford, etc., as last season, when they played only 48 regular-season games. So fatigue will be less of a factor for the cup winners.



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EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	95	62	.605	—
Tampa Bay	87	69	.558	7½
New York	82	74	.526	12½
Baltimore	81	75	.519	13½
Toronto	71	85	.455	23½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	91	66	.580	—
Cleveland	86	70	.551	4½
Kansas City	83	73	.532	7½
Minnesota	66	90	.423	24½
Chicago	62	94	.397	28½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	94	63	.599	—
Texas	85	71	.545	8½
Los Angeles	76	80	.487	17½
Seattle	68	89	.433	26
Houston	51	106	.325	43

Tuesday's results
Chicago White Sox at Cleveland
Toronto at Baltimore
Tampa Bay at N.Y. Yankees
Houston at Texas
Detroit at Minnesota
Oakland at L.A. Angels
Kansas City at Seattle
Monday's results
Tampa Bay 5 Baltimore 4
Texas 12 Houston 0
Minnesota 4 Detroit 3 (11 inn.)
Chicago White Sox 3 Toronto 2
Oakland 10 L.A. Angels 5
Kansas City 6 Seattle 5 (12 inn.)
Wednesday's games — All times Eastern
Oakland (Straily 10-7) at L.A. Angels (Weaver 10-8), 3:35 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Axelrod 4-10) at Cleveland (Salazar 1-3), 7:05 p.m.
Toronto (Rogers 5-8) at Baltimore (Norris 10-12), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Price 8-8) at N.Y. Yankees (Hughes 4-13), 7:05 p.m.
Houston (Keuchel 6-9) at Texas (Perez 9-5), 8:05 p.m.
Detroit (Scherzer 20-3) at Minnesota (Correia 9-12), 8:10 p.m.
Kansas City (Santana 9-9) at Seattle (Iwakuma 13-6), 10:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	92	64	.590	—
Washington	84	73	.535	8¼
New York	71	85	.455	21
Philadelphia	71	85	.455	21
Miami	58	99	.369	34½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	92	65	.586	—
Cincinnati	90	67	.573	2
Pittsburgh	90	67	.573	2
Milwaukee	70	86	.449	21½
Chicago	65	92	.414	27

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	90	66	.577	—
Arizona	79	77	.506	11
San Diego	73	83	.468	17
San Francisco	72	84	.462	18
Colorado	71	86	.452	19½

Tuesday's results
N.Y. Mets at Cincinnati
Milwaukee at Atlanta
Philadelphia at Miami
Pittsburgh at Chicago Cubs
Washington at St. Louis
Boston at Colorado
Arizona at San Diego
L.A. Dodgers at San Francisco
Monday's results
Cincinnati 3 N.Y. Mets 2 (10 inn.)
Milwaukee 5 Atlanta 0
Miami 4 Philadelphia 0
Pittsburgh 2 Chicago Cubs 1
St. Louis 4 Washington 3
San Diego 4 Arizona 1
Wednesday's games — All times Eastern
N.Y. Mets (Matsuzaka 2-3) at Cincinnati (Latos 14-6), 12:35 p.m.
Washington (Zimmermann 19-8) at St. Louis (Miller 14-9), 1:45 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Liriano 16-7) at Chicago Cubs (Arrieta 3-2), 2:20 p.m.
Milwaukee (Lohse 10-10) at Atlanta (Maholm 10-10), 7:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (Hamels 8-14) at Miami (Hand 1-1), 7:10 p.m.
Boston (Peavy 11-5) at Colorado (Oswalt 0-6), 8:40 p.m.
Arizona (Delgado 5-6) at San Diego (Kennedy 6-10), 10:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Nolasco 13-10) at San Francisco (Bumgarner 13-9), 10:15 p.m.

CFL

WEEK 14

EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pts
Toronto	12	8	4	0	354	315	16
Hamilton	12	6	6	0	316	329	12
Montreal	12	4	8	0	285	349	8
Winnipeg	12	2	10	0	251	368	4

WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pts
Calgary	12	9	3	0	373	301	18
B.C.	12	8	4	0	325	302	16
Saskatchewan	12	8	4	0	376	282	16
Edmonton	12	3	9	0	294	328	6

Friday's game — All Times Eastern
B.C. at Winnipeg, 8 p.m.
Saturday's games
Calgary at Hamilton, 6 p.m.
Toronto at Edmonton, 9 p.m.
Sunday's game
Saskatchewan at Montreal, 1 p.m.

NFL

WEEK 4

Thursday's game — All Times Eastern
San Francisco at St. Louis, 8:25 p.m.
Sunday's games
Seattle at Houston, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Baltimore at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Arizona at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.
Chicago at Detroit, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Tennessee, 4:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Denver, 4:25 p.m.
Dallas at San Diego, 4:25 p.m.
Washington at Oakland, 4:25 p.m.
New England at Atlanta, 8:30 p.m.
Monday's game
Miami at New Orleans, 8:40 p.m.

MLS

Friday's game — All Times Eastern
Philadelphia at Kansas City, 8 p.m.
Saturday's games
D.C. United at Toronto FC, 1 p.m.
Real Salt Lake at Vancouver, 7 p.m.
Houston at New England, 7:30 p.m.
Montreal at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Sunday's games
Los Angeles at Portland, 3:30 p.m.
Columbus at FC Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
New York at Seattle, 9 p.m.
San Jose at Chivas USA, 11 p.m.

2014 Mitsubishi Outlander

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Review. Easy on gas and your wallet. Could it find a home in your driveway?

MALCOLM GUNN
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There's a new face at Mitsubishi that should receive more than just a glance. The 2014 Outlander wagon has cleaned up its design act both inside and out for 2014, shedding its dated open-mouth look in the process.

In some respects, the largest vehicle in Mitsubishi's thinned-out fleet appears more like the second-gen edition that served the automaker for the 2007-'09 model years. The styling is much more contemporary, making the Outlander appear just as attractive from the rear as from the front. The 2014 edition still shares the previous Outlander's platform and basic dimensions — length, width and distance between the front and rear wheels — equating to nearly identical space for passengers and cargo as before. However the competition in this bracket is a tad roomier and it's a squeeze when accessing the optional third-row bench of the Outlander.

Regardless of seat assignment, all passengers will be treated to an improved environment. Mitsubishi has upgraded the seats, door panels and dashboard and added more cabin insulation for a quieter ride. As well, the split-folding second and available third rows have been redesigned to fold more easily. Overall, the Outlander has shed some 90 kilograms, which should be a boon to performance. The standard powerplant is a 2.4-litre four-cylinder that produces 166 horsepower and 162 pound-feet of torque. That's down slightly from before, but with the weight reduction it won't be noticed.

The four-cylinder is standard with the ES, while SE and GT S-AWC trims are fitted with a 3.0-litre V6 that delivers 224 horsepower and 215 pound-feet of torque. That's a drop of 15 horses, but it's dead even in torque. For reference, competing five and seven-passenger wagons have more output, and in some cases significantly more. The 2.4 is hitched to a continuously variable transmission that has been adjusted to more closely mimic a traditional multi-speed automatic, especially when accelerating from a stop. Meanwhile, the V6 has exclusive use of a six-speed automatic that has been updated for improved fuel economy.

Mitsubishi's "Super All-Wheel Control" (code for all-wheel drive) can be ordered with four-cylinder Outlanders, but is standard with the V6-equipped SE and GT. By mid-2014, Mitsubishi will introduce the Outlander PHEV (Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicle) with full-time all-wheel-drive.

With a starting price, including destination charges, of $27,700, the Outlander arrives with the usual basic kit. The SE model adds dual-zone climate control, rearview camera, push-button start and heated front seats. The GT S entices with a premium interior, audio package and bright xenon headlamps. From that point the load factor can be increased with option packages containing heated leather-covered seats, power sunroof to name a few features. Other than providing room for as many as seven people, the Outlander's strengths might not be readily apparent until you consider its attractive refresh, content improvements and the appealing price tag. It's then that Mitsubishi's flagship wagon starts to make sense.

2014 Mitsubishi Outlander

- **Type.** Four-door, front/all-wheel-drive wagon
- **Engines (hp).** 2.4-litre SOHC I4 (166); 3.0-litre SOHC V6 (224)
- **Transmissions.** Continuously variable; six-speed automatic (V6)
- **Base price (ind. destination)** $27,700

Safety

There's a host of available crash-avoiding electronic safety systems designed to keep you in your proper lane, alert you to approaching vehicles from adjacent lanes and help you maintain a safe distance from vehicles directly in front.

Fuel Economy

The four-cylinder engine rates 8.2 l/100 km in the city and 6.3 on the highway (down from 9.0/7.0). The V6 improves to 10.1/7.1 from 10.9/7.8. A driver-controlled "Eco" setting cuts some of the engine power and A/C functionality for further gains, however slight they might be.

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Autopilot. Consumer advocate Viraf Baliwalla has created the first workshop in car buying, allowing you to be one step ahead of the dealers

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New research suggests that some car buyers will negotiate better if they get all sweaty first. This is not about potentially using body odour and/or unsightly pit stains to force car sellers to cave in early during the negotiation process.

According to the MIT researchers, it's all about how "physiological arousal" — expressed as an increased heart rate and body sweat induced by running or fast walking just before a negotiation experience — can make some people perform better when it comes to hammering out the deal.

Unfortunately it just seems to work for people who look forward to negotiation. The arousal makes them feel "revved up" for the competition. For research participants who dreaded negotiating, "arousal" had the opposite effect. Increased heart rate and sweaty palms only increased their nervousness, and they almost always reported being bummed out about their subsequent negotiation experiences.

So the folk wisdom to always go into these situations "cool as a cucumber" may have to be revisited, especially if you like to haggle. Of course, there is another big tool you can leverage to get a better deal on a car — just learn how do to it properly. One place you're not going to learn how to do it is in the dealership, when you're in the middle of negotiations, says Viraf Baliwalla, a consumer advocate and president of Automall Network, a vehicle buying agency.

"It is not the salesperson's job to educate the buyer, it is their job to try and sell you a car," says Baliwalla.

He notes another reason not to look to your salesperson as your confidant: "The auto industry has conditioned us to buy in a certain way … a way that favours the auto industry."

He says this is not "dealer bashing," only telling consumers the reality of the marketplace, where they need to be as prepared as the person is sitting across from them at the negotiation table.

To this end, he has created one of the first workshops in the country on car buying. The first one will be held this Saturday at the Kitchener-Waterloo campus of Conestoga College in Ontario (Course Code GINTO292 Car Buying — Saving You Money).

Followup workshops at Conestoga are planned for November and January, and in Toronto for the 2014 winter term. An online version of the workshop is planned to be available to all consumers across North America sometime in the New Year.

The course will cover the tips and tricks of the auto trade, the process they will experience at the dealership and some number crunching too.

Viraf Baliwalla of Automall Network wants to give consumers the edge through his car-buying workshops. AUTOMALL NETWORK

As an example, he notes how consumers typically choose a zero per cent financing option over a cash purchase rebate, even though in some cases they would save thousands by getting their own car loan at their bank at the going interest rate, and grabbing that big cash incentive. It's all in the numbers.

Knowledge sounds like a better tool in the long run than relying on a fast heart rate and a bit of sweat to swing the negotiation in your favour, but it's your call.

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Cost of borrowing is $985.72 for a total finance obligation of $32,805.72 with $0 down or equivalent trade-in. *$1,000 // $1,500 // $2,000 // $1,500 // $2,000 // $3,500 // $2,000 // $2,500 // $4,000 // $5,000 // $5,000 customer cash incentive is valid any new 2013 Fit (except DX, model GE8G2DEX) // 2013 Civic Coupe and Sedan (except DX Sedan, model FB2E2DEX) // 2013 Accord Coupe (except EX Coupe 6MT, model CTA7DJ) // 2013 Accord Sedan (except LX Sedan 6MT, EX-L V6 Sedan and Touring V6 Sedan, models CR2E3DE, CR3F8DJN and CR3F9DKN) // 2013 Accord EX-L V6 Sedan and Touring V6 Sedan // 2013 Crosstour EX 2WD and EX-L 2WD (models TF3H3DJ, TF3H5DJNX) // 2013 Crosstour EX-L 4WD and EX-L 4WD NAVI (models TF2H5DJNX, TF2H5DKNX) // 2013 CR-V (except LX 2WD, model RM3H3DES) // 2013 Odyssey // 2013 Pilot // 2013 Ridgeline models when registered and delivered between September 4th and September 30th, 2013. 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Vital vehicle vacuum

The idea of dragging a corded vacuum through an ocean of water after washing the car should make you think twice. A cordless vacuum would be great, but they just don't have the same grunt and the batteries don't last, right? The Dyson DC34 portable, on the other hand, is perhaps the next best thing to a corded vac. Using the company's patented Root Cyclone technology, the DC34 really performs, while the lithium-ion battery pack provides 15 minutes of power on "high" and six minutes on "MAX" for tougher jobs. The DC34 weighs in at less than three pounds and can be a little tough to maneuver in tight places due to its size, but because it's a handheld, there's no hose chaffing door-sill edges and trim while you work. You can read more and order yours for $199 at dyson.com.

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Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
Steer clear of people you think may be talking about you behind your back. You can't stop them from gossiping but you can keep them out of your line of sight, and then they'll be out of mind as well.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
The planets are empowering you to make changes you often talk about but always seem to put off. You know it's now or never: Change now or don't change at all.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
You may find it hard to be balanced in your opinions today but make the effort because if you go to extremes, it could rebound on you. Don't be so outspoken that you give rivals a stick to beat you with.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
Don't waste time on minor matters. Jupiter in your sign is bringing all sorts of opportunities your way but you may miss them if your mind is stuck on trivia.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
Someone in a position of power will rebuke you for making a mistake and you must stand there and take it. It may not do your ego much good but it will remind you that even Leos have people to answer to.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
You give people the benefit of the doubt but there could be problems if you trust too easily today. If you are asked to give your blessing to a project, demand to know more first.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
The reason you have not succeeded at something is because you are putting too much time and effort into it. That might sound silly but it is possible to try too hard. Give it a break then come back to it.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Good things are coming your way and you deserve them but don't start thinking it is all your own work. Others had a hand in your success and you would be wise to recognize that.

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
No matter how annoying someone may be, you are advised to make an effort to be nice to them. Friendships are so important and you can never have too many. Make a friend of an enemy today.

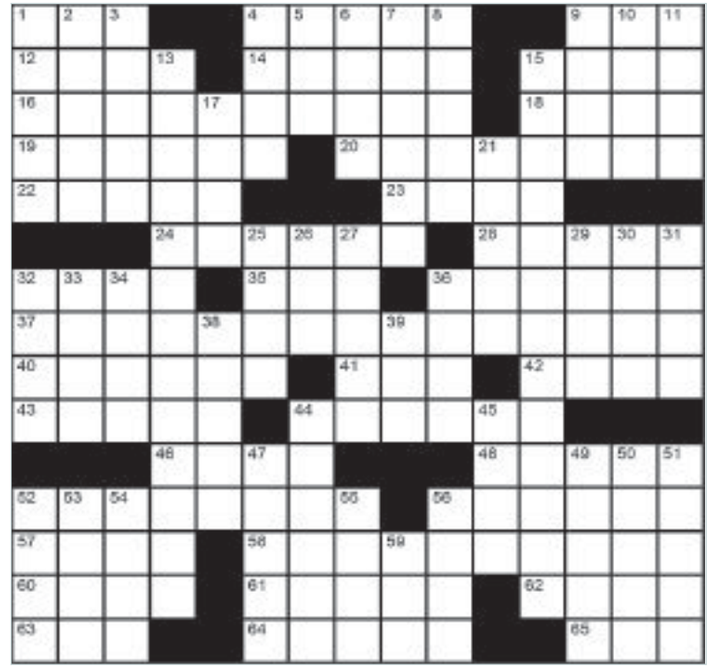
♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
You may have gone out of your way to explain why you have certain views on certain issues but quite clearly not everyone "gets it". Don't waste any more time on them.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
A rival who does not have the guts to challenge you directly will try to undermine your position today. Be on guard and make sure people in positions of authority know why you're the one to trust.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Jupiter, planet of expansion, is on your side and you should aiming to make a name for yourself. What creative talent do you have that is much in demand? SALLY BROMPTON

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

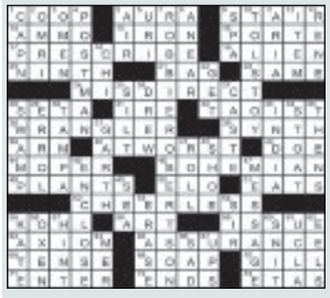
See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.
BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN



Across
1. Noise, for short
4. Minestrone, and others
9. Fancy affairs
12. Ode, for one
14. Actress Ms. Raymonde
15. American state
16. Canadian comedian hosting new trivia game show "Spin Off": 2 wds.
18. Hairstyling hues
19. BC's __ Valley
20. Canadian current events magazine
22. British explorer-in-Canada Mr. Hudson
23. Canadian figure skater Patrick
24. Nova Scotia's provincial bird
28. Particulars
32. Hail _ __ (Taxi!)
35. L'Isle-__-Coudres, Quebec
36. Pot holder
37. Make the history books by winning a race in what?: 3 wds.
40. Arctic-set silent documentary film of 1922, "__ of the North"
41. Iron's partner
42. Original matter, in Cosmology
43. Plods along
44. Aim
46. Wild cherry
48. "Pardon me..." [pl.]
52. Updated versions
56. Be inconspicuous: 2 wds.
57. Joanie's portrayer
58. Be a Member of Parliament, for instance: 2 wds.
60. PBS culinary show, "Simply __"
61. Linda of "Dynasty"
62. Marijuana puff
63. Positive response
64. French painter Edgar (b.1834 - d.1917)
65. Kitchen meas.

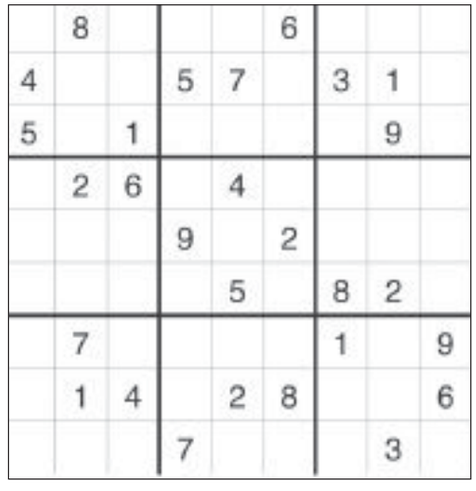
Down
1. Canadian rapper, __ K
2. __ prosequi (Not proceeding, in law)
3. Canadian broadcaster Mr. Soltendieck
4. Comic books legend Mr. Lee
5. Katharine Hepburn's tree
6. E pluribus __ (Out of Many, One)
7. High†seas robbery
8. Louis Armstrong nickname, Ambassador __
9. ELO hit: 2 wds.
10. Actor Mr. Wilson
11. Canadian singer Ms. Jordan
13. Twitter = __ site
15. 21st-century crime: 2 wds.
17. Mr. Romano's
21. Scottish landowner
25. City's green area
26. Ms. McClanahan
27. Former prisoner, commonly
29. Santana's "__ Ways"
30. Same: French
31. Base
32. Grass appendages
33. "__ Miner's Daughter" (1980)
34. River of Florence
36. Maple, for one
38. Amounts of medicine
39. Food fragment
44. Struck by Cupid's arrow: 2 wds.
45. Newbie
47. Sounded satisfied
49. Silas Marner author, George __
50. Razzes
51. Tidy the floor
52. Winnipeg-born singer Mr. Shand
53. Fort __, Ontario
54. Wines: French
55. Smelting waste
56. Deprivation
59. Genetic letters

Yesterday's Crossword



Sudoku

How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.



Yesterday's Sudoku

6	4	5	8	9	2	1	7	3
1	7	8	6	3	4	9	2	5
2	9	3	1	7	5	8	6	4
8	3	4	7	1	9	6	5	2
9	6	2	5	4	8	3	1	7
5	1	7	3	2	6	4	8	9
7	8	1	9	5	3	2	4	6
3	2	6	4	8	7	5	9	1
4	5	9	2	6	1	7	3	8

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